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What experiences and perspectives would you contribute to Town Meeting?
I have lived in Winchester as a child, student, parent and grandparent. I have served as a PTO president, scout mom, sport mom, library employee, volunteer and loyal participant of town activities. I love everything about our town and have taken advantage of all that Winchester has to offer. I am committed to enabling everyone to live their best life in Winchester.

What are two or three issues facing Winchester that you think are most important and what are your positions on them?
Every issue is important. Maintaining our schools and municipal buildings is paramount at this time. Preserving our historic small town while enabling expansion and housing is a constant concern. However, through public hearings with our residents and our town boards much is being accomplished.

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What is a special challenge in your precinct that might not be faced in other precincts?

New Muraco School

Why should voters elect you to represent them?

I have lived in Precinct One for most of my life. I believe I understand the needs and concerns of the people in my precinct. I have always made my email available and I welcome questions, concerns and opinions on town issues from my precinct residents. This enables me to make good decisions for all.

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With override rejected, Winchester shifts from campaigning to budget planning

After Winchester voters rejected an $11.5 million Proposition 2 1/2 override on Election Day, March 21, the governing question in town has shifted from persuasion to arithmetic. Select Board member Bill McGonigle, who served on the Yes for Winchester campaign, said the defeat has changed how he approaches

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The biggest shakeup came in Precinct 7, where two officeholders lost in an 11-person contest, matching Precinct 4 for the busiest race.

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Winchester ZBA waives town regulations to move Washington/Swanton project along

Town officials have approved waivers of regulations for a residential/commercial development project at Washington and Swanton streets. The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) on March 19 approved the waivers for a 40B project at 278-292 Washington St. and 12 and 16-20 Swanton St. in a special meeting preceding a

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